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MEDICAID SERVICES MANUAL
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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MEMORANDUM

TO: CUSTODIANS OF MEDICAID SERVICES MANUAL

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SUBJECT: MEDICAID MANUAL SERVICES CHANGES

MATERIAL TRANSMITTED

MTL 36/03
CHAPTER 1600
INTERMEDIATE CARE FOR THE
MENTALLY RETARDED

MATERIAL SUPERCEDED

MTL 01/98
CHAPTER 1600, INTERMEDIATE
CARE FOR PERSONS WITH
MENTAL RETARDATION OR
RELATED CONDITIONS

Background and Explanations

These changes should be effective September 1, 2003 to coincide with the billing process change to the Medicaid Management Information System.

Changes are being made to the chapter to:

- Transition the chapter to the current Medicaid Service Manual Format.
- Standardized definitions amongst Medicaid Service Manual Chapters;
- Delineate process changes necessary with the conversion to the Medicaid Management Information System;
- Clarify program and service edits already in existence;
- Transition forms NMO-3049 and NMO-3058 to the ICF/MR Tracking Form.
- Removed several CFR references as duplicative.
- Delineate process and code changes necessary for program compliance with the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act.
- Incorporated the clarification of dental coverage as published in Policy News.
- Increased leave of absence days from 20 to 24 pursuant to the State Plan Amendment which standardized therapeutic leave of absence for all nursing facilities.